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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Xu

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For: Methods For Eliminating The Formation Of Biofilm

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Before the above-captioned application is taken up for examination, entry of the following amendment is respectfully requested:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 11, 14, 19-21, 23, 24, 26, 27, 29, 31, and 33 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend claim 6 as follows:

At line 1, delete "any of claims 1-5" and insert --claim 1--.

Please amend claim 12 as follows:

At line 1, delete "any of claims 1-11" and insert --claim 1--.

Please amend claim 18 as follows:

At line 1, delete "any of claims 1-17" and insert --claim 1--.